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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Abstract, lines 4-6, "By curving one or more arms it is helpful to provide an aperture intermediate the arms which more closely resembles the traditional retracted opening shape than has been done with prior art perpendicularly oriented arms." has been deleted.

It is noted that the abstract should not refer to purported merits or speculative applications of the invention and should not compare the invention with the prior art. MPEP 608.01(b)(B).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David Comstock whose telephone number is (571) 272-4710. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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